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This is in response to the Restriction Requirement stated in the Office Letter dated July 1, 2008, applicants elect to prosecute Species b drawn to Figures 3-5 and 6-8 and readable upon claims 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, and 15 without traverse.

Applicants acknowledge that claims 1 and 15 are generic.

Respectfully submitted,

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